

Sunday 21st May 2023
THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION



Collect for the Week

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre

Also on Zoom

Leader: Daphne Pollard Link: Susan Powley

Hymns: One more step along the world I go
In Christ alone
Alleluia, sing to Jesus
Be still for the presence of the Lord

Reading: Acts 1.6-14 (NIV page 1092)

6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)

Minister & Preacher: The Vicar

Hymn:	NEH 349 Come, let us join our cheerful songs	
Psalm:	106 verses 1-12 (chant Howells) BCP page 483	
1 st Reading:	2 Samuel 23.1-5	Mione Palmer
Magnificat:	B	
2 nd Reading:	Ephesians 1.15-end	Rosie Holder
Nunc dimittis:	B	
Anthem:	Save us O Lord - Bairstow	
Hymn:	NEH 134 The head that once was crowned with thorns	
Amen:	14	

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 22nd May

10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
4.00 pm Rainbows visit to the Parish Church Churchyard
7.30 pm Road Association meeting in the Lodge

TUESDAY 23rd

Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 24th *John & Charles Wesley, Evangelists, Hymn Writers, 1791 & 1788*

10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
12 noon - 2 pm Charlie's Angels pop-up lunch at the Church Centre

THURSDAY 25th

10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

FRIDAY 26th *Augustine, the First Archbishop of Canterbury, 605*

10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
12:30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre

SATURDAY 27th *Venerable Bede, Presbyter*

NEXT SUNDAY 28th May

Pentecost

Whit Sunday

10.00 am Festival Eucharist (CW)


President & Preacher: Rev. Nicholas Burton

10.00 am Family Service with Holy Communion at the Church Centre

President: The Vicar, Link: Chris Bassett

6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)

Minister & Preacher: The Vicar

	<p>Altar Flowers at the Parish Church</p> <p>The altar flowers in Church today are given by Margaret Brown in loving memory of her dear husband John & brother in law John on their birthdays</p>
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NEWS AND NOTES

From the Vicarage

Warm greetings to you all and welcome to our services today - the Sunday after the glorious Ascension of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. As we await, afresh, the outpouring of the promised Holy Spirit I pray that we will wait patiently and that through God's equipping we will be effective witness of God's grace, mercy and amazing love.

Ronnie

Intercessors and Readers

We will be doing the rota on a quarterly basis in future and so I am now looking for people who would like to either read or do the intercessions (or both) at the Parish Church, in July, August and September. Do please consider if you can contribute to our worship in this way. Please make contact with me - Daphne Pilcher dpilcher@talktalk.net either giving specific dates and stating morning or evening services or just saying generally you would be happy to help. I would then provide you with a list of unfilled dates. Daphne.

St Paul's Church Youth Council

The Youth Council continues to grow and establish itself. It is wonderful to see new friendships and confidence grow and develop over pizza, chocolate cake and discussion. A new logo has been designed and agreed giving the Council its own identity and purpose.

The Youth Council will be running the BBQ and the Jumble Sale at the upcoming Church Summer Fayre on June 17th and will be very grateful for any jumble or bric a brac.

Our next meeting is Thursday 1st June at 6 pm in The Lodge behind the Parish Church. Everyone aged between 11 and 17 is very welcome. We look forward to welcoming a member of the Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells beekeeping Society to talk about the joys and challenges of keeping bees with a possibility of having a couple of hives in our two churchyards. We may even be able to produce our own church honey!

Thursday June 29th sees us returning to the much needed road crossing with Parish Councillor Paul Gripper joining us. Either just turn up on the 1st or 29th or if you would like more information e-mail stpauls.cyc@gmail.com. You will be sure of a warm welcome. It was agreed our future meetings will be held on the first Thursday of every month.

Vacuum Cleaner

The vacuum cleaner at the Parish Church needs replacing as it no longer works. If you have one that you are able to donate we would be most grateful. Please speak to/contact Ginette or the Wardens.

Family Service

We are holding a "Songs of Praise" service on 18th June. As this is Father's Day it would be really good to have choices from the men of the congregation and / or favourites of your Fathers. If you could include a few words about why you or they like that hymn it makes it more personal. Thank you. Please let Jean Kerr have any requests by the end of May to allow time to put the service together. Contact details are jeak4000@gmail.com or 07905758799.

Summer Fayre Saturday 17th at The Church Centre 11 am to 2 pm

We would be very grateful for donations of good quality jumble and bric a brac. Collection boxes will be in both the Church and the Church Centre.

Also Raffle Prizes and Bottles for the Bottle Stall.

Nearer the time cakes and plants would also be greatly appreciated.



**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A FINANCIAL OFFERING TODAY YOU CAN LEAVE
IT ON THE PLATE AS YOU LEAVE OR USE OUR CONTACTLESS PAY MACHINE
THANK YOU**

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